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Abutilon in variety Acacia in variety Achillea Ptarmica Pearl, double white Achyranthus, new carmine Emersoni Ageratum, white Alternanthera, red Brilliantissima Alstroemeria aurantiaca Anthemis Nobilis Anthericum Liliastrum Antigonon leptopus Artichoke, Jerusalem



Asparagus Sprengeri Plumosus nanus
Decumbens
Ampelopsis Veitchi
Quinquefolia, Woodbine.
Aquilegia canadensis, red
Arum Italicum Cornutum Aubrietia purpurea Arabis Alpina

Bauhinia purpurea Note.—This is a very beautiful tropical tree that blooms while small. The flowers are in clusters, and flowers are in clusters, and not unlike a large Azalea flower, pink with dark blotches. It blooms for three months or more. At the north it must be grown in pots, as it will not endure much frost.

Begonia Decorus Fuchsioides Feasti Argentea guttata Nitida rosea Manicata, green-leaved Weltoniensis cut-leaf Evansiana

NOTE.—B. Evansiana is a lovely tuberous Begonia, hardy out-doors in this lo-cality under slight protec-tion. Its foliage is lovely, and its masses of rosy clusters of bloom are attractive and beautiful. The tops die in autumn, but the new growth appears early in spring. A fine pot and bedding plant. Bignonia Tweediana

Boltonia glastifolia Boston Smilax Bryophyllum calycinum Cactus, Queen of Night Campanula in variety Camphor Tree

Canna variegata
Robusta, red-leaved
Carex Japonica



Carnation, Margaret, pink White, also Yellow Chrysanthemum, hardy sorts. See May Magazine. Chlidanthus fragrans Cineraria Maritima Hybrida Cissus Heterophyllus Clematis paniculata Vitalba Clianthus puniceus Coboea Scandens



Coleus Beckwith Booker Washington Christmas gem Fire Brand Verschaffeltii Fancy, in variety Cordylina indivisa Crassula cordata Spatulata Cryptostemma lusitanica



Cyclamen, James' Prize Mont Blanc, white Superbissima rosea White, red eye.
Cyperus alternifolius
Dahlia, Ernest Glass
Daisy. Shasta, Alaska
California
Westralia

Daisy, Snowflake Delicata Longfellow Delphinium in variety Dielytra spectabilis

Eximia Digitalis purpurea Eranthemum pulchellum Erythrina crista galli Eucalyptus Globosus Eucomis punctata Eupatorium riparium Euphorbia splendens Fern, Pierson Plume

Boston Compacta Scotti Tarrytown Ferraria, red White

Ficus repens
Fuchsia, Black Prince
Little Prince
E. G. Hill Arabella Silver King Glorie des Marches Speciosa Trailing Queen Chas. Blanc Rosains Patri Fulgens Funkia subcordata Undulata variegata Gaillardia grandiflora



Geranium, double, variety Single in variety Ivy-leaf, L' Elegans, Alliance Galilee Joan of Aro

Note.—I ask attention to the special offer of choice Double Geraniums given in May Magazine. I hope my friends will all order a few of these superb Geraniums, either for pots or beds. The flowers are large, clusters immense and the plants wonderfully free-blooming.

Grevillea robusta Guava Heuchera sanguinea Heliotrope in variety
Heterocentron album
Helianthus Maximilliana
Hibiscus in variety
Honeysuckle, Halls Hardy Reticulata aurea Hova Carnosa



Hemerocalis Sieboldii Dumortieri

Ferraria, red
White
Yellow
NOTE.—A clump of the
Ferrarias always shows a
few blooms, large, rich-col.
ored, and beautiful. The
bulbs are cared for just
like Gladiolus.

growing two feet high, and
bearing lovely yellow,
scented bloom a little later
in the season. Still later
comes H. Thunbergii with
flowers like Lemon Lily,
but borne on taller stems.
Impatiens Sultani
Holsti
III; Florentina white

Iris, Florentina white Purple Kaempferi Leopold II Queen of Blues Glorie de Rotterdam Kermesinianum Siberica atro-purpurea Germanica

Pseudo-acorus, yellow Note.-Iris pseudo-acorus is a robust sort delighting is a robust sort delighting in a boggy place, or along a stream. It grows three or four feet high, and has exquisite, rich yellow flowers; beautiful.

Ivy, English, greenleaved Variegated-leaved Irish or Parlor Jacaranda Mimosæfolia Jasmine in variety Jerusalem Cherry Justicia sanguinea

Velutina Kenilworth Ivy Kudzu Vine



Lantana, Weeping In variety Lavatera Arborea Lavender

NOTE. -Lavender is a NOTE. — Lawender is a hardy, richly-scented herb, bearing purple bloom; when cut and dried and placed among furs or clothing it is an excellent moth preventive, and affords a delightful perfume as well. Leucanthemum Maximum Lily of the Valley, German Dutch

Lilium Tigrinum double Tigrinum single
Takessima, white, hardy
Linum Perenne
Lopesia rosea Lopiesia rosea Lysimachia, Moneywort Mackaya Bella Madeira Vine Malva Moschata Manettia bicolor Mesembryanthemum grand Mexican Primrose Moon Flower Myosotis, Lone Star Alpestris Nasturtium, Double yel. Tuberosum

Tuberosum
Thunbergii
Flava
NOTE. — H. Dumortieri
grows a foot high, bearing large, do uble flowers
un great abundance. It is
a superb border plant, perfeetly hardy, and beautiful
in both foliage and flower.
H. flava is the Lemon Lily,

Oxalis Bowii Buttercup Rosea, for baskets and edgings. Price 50 cts edgings. P Palm, Phœnix Tenus Phœnix canariensis Pritchardia filamentosa Brahea filamentosa Pardanthus Chinensis Pentstemon Murrayanus. Peperomia maculosa Perennial Pea, Pink, Red. White

Oenothera Frazerii

Phalaris, ribbon-grass
Phlox, Boule de Niege, white Boule de Feu, flame Physalis Francheti Physianthus albens Pilea Muscosa Platycodon, White Blue

Podophyllum peltutum Polygonum multiflorum Poppy, Perennial Primula Forbesi Stellata Pyramidalis Chinensis Mallow Leaf

Floribunda, yellow Obconica, white, rose, red Pyrethrum,-Hardy Cosmos Rocket, Sweet, Violet White

Rose, Seven Sisters Mary Washington Rudbeckia Golden Glow Bicolor Purpurea, 6 feet high, large crimson bloom; hardy; splendid. Ruellia Makoyana

Russelia elegantissima Juncea Sage, English Sanseveria Zeylanica Saponaria ocymoides Saxifraga peltata Sarmentosa Sedum acre

Selaginella, moss-like Silene orientalis Solanum grandiflorum Rantonetti Spartium junceum Spirea Filipendula Japonica

Gladstone Palmata elegans Venusta Stokesia Cyanea Strobilanthes anisophyllus



Salvia Prætensis, hardy

Salvia Coccinea splendens Patens, blue Rutilans Robusta

Surinam Cherry



Sweet William Tansy Thalictrum adiantifolium Thunbergia grandiflora Tradescantia Zebrina



Tricyrtus Hirta Tritoma Carolina McOwani Trollius, Thos. Ware Tropaeolum tuberosum Umbrella Tree Veronica longiflora Vinca Minor, hardy Vinca rosea Rosea alba Nova species Viola, Marie Louise Wallflower, Ne plus ultra Watsonia, an elegant bulb-ous flower; treat as a Gladiolus. Yucca filamentosa Aloifolia

Hardy Shrubs. Abelia rupestris Aralia pentaphylla Benzoin odoriferum



Berbeils Thunbergii

NOTE.— Berberis Thun-bergii is the best hedge-plant known. It grows quickly, is naturally dense Roemerianum, scarlet, and bushy, requires hardly fine spikes, rich and handsome.

handsome.

urinam Cherry

dutility, is liaturally dense, and bushy, requires hardly any pruning, and is a close, effectual barrier. It is a fine nesting shrub for the little song-sparrows, as cats and English sparrows do not care to penetrate the dense spiny growth.



Bignonia Radicans Capreolata Calveanthus floridus Coral Berry Cytisus Laburnum Deutzia gracilis Pride of Rochester Euonymus Americana Japonica Exochorda grandiflora Forsythia Viridissima Suspensa (Sieboldii) Hamamelis Virginiana Hydrangea arborescens Hypericum Moserianum Kerria Japonica Kalmia, Laurel Lilac, common Philadelphus, Mock Orange Rhus aromatica Robinia hispida



Sambucus Canadensis Note .- Sambucus Canadensis is the Elderberry. It is a handsome shrub with pretty foliage and charming lace-like white charming lace-like white flowers in big flat panicles. It blooms in July, after most other shrubs have bloomed, and is very showy. The flowers are followed by big broad panicles of black berries, which are fine for jelly, jam and pies. The berries are scalded and drained before using to get. drained before using, to get lose its green leaves. the best results.



Spirea Anthony Waterer Reevesii Callosa alba Symphoricapus racemosa Weigela rosea Variegata

Hardy Trees. Ailanthus glandulosa American Elm American Linden Asimina triloha California Privet Carolina Poplar Catalpa Kæmpferi

Cladrastis tinctoria NOTE.— Cladrastis tinctoria is a beautiful flowering tree. Hardy south, but needs protection north of Pennsylvania. It grows quickly, and is very at-tractive, especially when blooming.

Cercis Canadensis Cork Elm Cornus floridus Ilex opaca Magnolia acuminata Tripetala

Ligustrum Ibotum, a beau-tiful, hardy evergreen Privet. Morus Tartarica Oxydendrum arborea

Paulownia Imperialis Note. — Paulownia imperialis is a grand tree from Japan. It has semi-tropical foliage, and big panicles of purple bloom in spring. It is hardy in Pennsylvania, and a fine shade tree.

Pavia flavs Pride of India Rhamnus Carolina Scarlet Maple Sugar Maple Sycamore, American Tulip Poplar Umbrella Tree Viburnum Acerifolium

Weeping Willow NOTE .- Weeping Willow is a most graceful, weep-ing tree, with lovely, soft-green foliage. It delights in a moist place. It is the first tree to become green in spring, and the last to

Xanthorrhiza, Yellow Root

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10 CHOICE MANED MONTREETIAC

IO CHOICE NAMED MONIDALITAD.
Aurea, fine golden yellow 5
Bouquet Parfait, vermillion, yellow eye 5
Etoile de Feu, brilliant scarlet 5
Tigridia, yellow with red eye 5
Rosea, fine rose-color, spotted 5
Sulphurea, sulphur, shaded yellow 5
Pyramidalis, salmony apricot 5
Germania, golden orange 5
Drap d' Or, orange yellow 5
Pottsii grandiflora, orange, flushed yellow 5

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SPECIAL In every club order I will include the MAGAZINE a year with each collection. If you order 10 collections (\$3.00) I will add a dozen of my finest spring, summer and autumn-flowering shrubs to help defray the express charges. May I not hear from you this month? You and your friends cannot fail to be pleased, for the plants are in fine condition and will be sure to grow. This will not appear again.



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JUNE.

Roses, Roses everywhere!
Pray sir, are you knowing
Who's the bride with sunny hair
Through the garden going?
See the Roses on her gown;
Hear her merry tune!
She's the fairest bride in town
And they call her June.
Washington Co., Vt. Florence J. Boyce.

THE FLORIDA PAWPAW.

ARICA PAPAYA is the botanical name given to the wholesome and delicious tropical fruit introduced from South America, and generally known as Pawpaw or Melon Fruit. The tree grows from

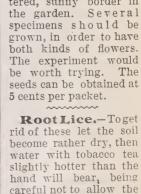
twelve to fifteen feet high, rarely branches. and bears its beautiful. silver-green, palmate leaves at the summit. Its melon-like fruit is produced along the stem. at the leaf-axils, as indicated in the engraving, which was taken from a photograph of a fruiting tree at St. Petersburg, Florida, the past winter. The flowers are diecious, that is, some trees bear staminate flowers and some pistillate. The staminate ones are pretty, pure white, in big clusters. The pistillate flowers develop into the fruits, which are of large size, resembling a Canteloupe in size, general appearance and taste. These fruits are borne almost the year round, and are greatly relished by those who acquire the habit of using them for food. We are told that

"the green fruit is eaten by the Indians in the manner as we use a turnip, and the buds are used for sweet meats." I have never tasted the buds nor green fruit, but the ripe ones, which are dark green with orange shadings,

are similar to the Canteloupe or Musk Melon, and eaten in the same manner. The seeds are about the size of a grape seed, each inclosed in a black juicy skin, and are very numerous, thickly covering the inner flesh. When the fruit is cut the seeds are readily removed by scraping with a spoon. The rich, tender, salmon flesh is then treated with salt or sugar to suit the taste, and eaten with a spoon. Like the Musk Melon, the flavor is not always enjoyed at first, but as soon as a a taste for it is acquired the fruit is greatly relished.

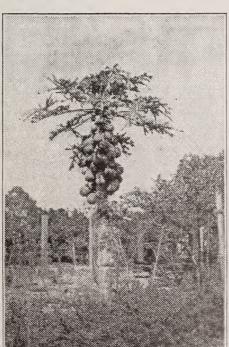
The plant was regarded by Lindley as near relative of the Passiflora, and he formed of it a distinct family named Papayacee. It is now classed as a member of the family

Passifloreæ, and of the tribe Papayaceæ. Seedling plants bear the second year, while quite small. I have no account of its culture as an ornamental and fruit plant at the North, but it might be a success if grown as a pot plant till the second summer, then bedded in a warm, sheltered, sunny border in the garden. Several specimens should be grown, in order to have both kinds of flowers. The experiment would be worth trying. The seeds can be obtained at 5 cents per packet.



hot water to touch the

ground is thoroughly soaked. It is well, before applying, to scrape the surface soil back, partially exposing the roots, and forming a bed for the liquid. Two or three applications should eradicate the pest.



CARICA PAPAYA.

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Grevillea. - Grevillea and other evergreen trees and shrubs grow only during their growing season, generally in summer. inactive, water them sparingly; when active water freely.

Pandanus Utilis .- This is a tropical plant, and is liable to turn yellow if subjected to cold temperature, or if exposed to sudden and severe changes. It will also have that appearance if allowed to become root-bound.

Ragged Robin.-Lychnis Flos cuculi is the plant known as Ragged Robin. Seed-lings single-flowered, but there is a variety bearing double flowers, which is increased by division. It is the kind mostly found in old gardens.

Holly.-The American Holly is hardy as far north as Pennsylvania. It is a lovely evergreen, the foliage being very graceful, and in winter adorned with scarlet fruit. It can be propagated from seeds, which require a year to germinate.

Perennial Poppies.—What are generally known as Perennial Poppies, are varieties of Papaver Orientalis. The Iceland Poppies are botanically known as Papaver Nudicaule. P. orientalis, once started, will last for years, and will take care of itself. P. Nudicaule is liable to die in two or three years. Both are easily raised from seeds, which may be sown this month.

CRIMSON FLAX.

HIS IS known as Linum grandiflorum rubrum. It is an attractive annual, al-

ways admired when in bloom.

If sown in a bed it makes a grand mass of bloom of a distinct and beautiful shade of red. A correspondent from Wisconsin writes thus of it:

Mr. Editor: — How many of your readers are acquainted with the Crimson Flax? The plant closely resembles the field Flax, but the flowers are larger, and do not close so soon.



CRIMSON FLAX.

They are of a lovely satiny texture, and a dark, rich red. It did well with me in a dry place, even during the drouth of last year.

Mrs. S. Mc. ing the drouth of last year.
Pozarippi, Wis., Apr. 16, 1909.

This Flax was in full bloom when I was at Erfurt, Germany, last summer, and made a glorious display. It grows a foot high, branching, and blooming freely, the flowers always fresh, bright and beautiful. The seeds may be obtained of almost any seedsman at from three to five cents per packet.

Gentians.—These are useful perennials. some species of which bloom in the spring, some in summer, some in autumn. They all like a rather shady place, and rich, moist soil. After getting the plants established, do not disturb them, and they will improve from year to year. G. acaulis can be propagated by division, but the others had better be increased from seeds, which, it should be borne in mind, do not all germinate at the same The seed-bed will, therefore, yield plants for several months after the first seedlings have been removed.

Amaryllis after Blooming.—After an Amaryllis blooms in winter, keep in a frost-proof window and continue watering till the weather becomes warm, then remove the plant and bed it in a sunny spot in the garden. Before winter take up the bulb, shake the soil off and keep in a frost-proof cellar until the buds begin to show, then pot in fibrous loam, manure and sand well-mixed, water regularly, and put in the plant window. The same treatment may be given Vallota purpurea.

Heliotropes.—These are readily grown from seeds, and seedling plants are more vigorous, though longer coming into bloom than plants from cuttings. They should be given a sunny place and not watered freely, if you wish early-blooming plants.

Non-blooming Cactus. - If you have a Cactus that fails to bloom, plunge the pot in the ground in a sunny situation and let Nature care for it during the summer.

TULIPS AND HYACINTHS.

N A SUNNY, porous, well-drained soil, it is well to leave bulbs of Tulips and Hyacinths in the bed undisturbed for several years. If shaded lift them and heel them in a dry, sunny bed when the foliage is well matured, then clean them and store in a cool, dry cellar till planting time in the fall. Do not cut the foliage of these bulbs; let it mature and dry off. Never pull the flowerstems so that they will separate at the root, as this will let water to the tender flesh, and cause decay. If the season is wet, after blooming lift the bulbs and heel them in sand, in a sunny place, otherwise they are liable to rot.

Bulbs after Forcing.— After Hyacinths, Narcissus and Chinese Lily bulbs have bloomed in the house, keep them watered until the foliage dies, then set the pots in a dry, cool place where the soil will get no moisture till fall, then set them out in the garden. Avoid garden planting until November. If planted earlier the buds will push up and be injured by frost. When the ground freezes up cover with strawy manure till spring, which will enrich the ground, and at the same time prevent an early spring growth.

Hardy.—Zephyranthus candida is hardy here in Pennsylvania, also Anemone coronaria and Montbretias. Zephyranthus rosea and Ranunculus asiaticus should be kept in a cool, frost-proof place during winter, and planted out early in spring in sandy, well-drained soil. Zephyranthus rosea is a lovely summer-blooming bulb. A dozen or more bedded out six inches apart in a partly shaded place, will make a fine display of bloom throughout the season.

Begonias Turning Brown.—When Begonia leaves turn brown at the edges it is either because they are watered while the sun is shining hot upon them, or because of a fungus. If caused by the former, avoid sprinkling except in the evening. If due to a disease, remove and burn the affected leaves and stir a mixture of sulphur and lime into the surface soil. In every case the drainage should be good, and the plants given sufficent root-room to prevent crowding.

Rubra Begonia.—This Begonia throws up strong sprouts from the root which often develop into a handsome tree-like top. When it fails to do so and is unsightly, cut the shoot off at the ground, and encourage a new growth, which may prove all that could be desired.

Non-blooming Cactus.—If your Cactus plants do not bloom freely, plunge them out in the hottest, sunniest place you can find, and let them remain there till fall, unwatered and uncared for. When taken up in autumn they will be ready to develop buds, such plants as have not already bloomed.

TWO NATIVE GENTAINS.

HE CLOSED GENTIAN, G. Andrewsii, is a beautiful late-blooming native flower found in boggy places either in sun or shade. A plant soon becomes a clump showing from six to a dozen stems, and every stem bears at its summit a cluster of large, rich-blue closed flowers, defying the

frosts of the autumn season. The foliage is smooth and bright green, and the plant in general appearance is like that of Phlox maculata, except that the stems are not spotted. It is easily transplanted, and a valuable addition to the perennial garden, being perfectly hardy. It delights in moist, rich, tenacious soil and partial shade.



GENTIANA CRINITA.

A still handsomer or showier species is Gentiana crinita, the Fringed Gentian. Its lovely blue flowers are open, and the four lobes are exquisitely fringed, as shown in the little engraving. It is also late-blooming—so late that its seeds do not become well matured. The plants are not easily transplanted, and hence are rarely seen in gardens. It is one of the native flowers that would be popular if it were more tractable, as it never fails to claim the admiration of those who see it in bloom.

Christmas Cactus.—During summer plunge the pot of Christmas Cactus in a sunny bed in the garden, and avoid watering unless it begins to wilt. In autumn take it up before frost, give it a well-lighted window, and keep the soil moist but not wet. Thus treated it will usually be covered with bloom at Christmas. Avoid watering too freely, or allowing the soil to dry out in winter, either of which will cause the buds to drop.

About Perennials.—Seeds of Perennials may be sown any time during spring or early summer. If sown late, the plants should not be transplanted till the following spring, as they may not become sufficiently established to endure the frost of a severe climate. The seed bed must be covered or shaded and kept moist until the plants appear, and grass and weeds must be kept out, otherwise the young seedlings will be smothered.

Chlidanthus Fragrans.—This is a bulbous plant belonging to the Amaryllis family. Bed the bulbs out in a rather sunny place, the soil being rich, fibrous, containing a mixture of sand, and well drained. In winter keep them in a dry, cool but frost-proof cellar, just as you keep Gladiolus. They thrive and bloom well with the treatment recommended for hybrid Amaryllis.



EDITORIAL LETTER.

DEAR FRIENDS:—I found so many things of interest around Erfurt, Germany, that I would gladly have spent many days there; but my time was limited, and with some feeling of regret I bade adieu to the quaint old city, with its curious customs, and its surrounding acres of flowers

and vegetables. A train ride of a few hours brought me back to Leipsic, where I had my headquarters.

It was Saturday evening when I returned to

Leipsic. I spent Sabbath there, and on Monday I left by the noon train for Paris, France. The way was through a rich farming country. Wheat, oats, barley, flax, beets and potatoes were the leading crops, and all were in fine condition. reflecting credit upon the farmers, as well as upon the land they tilled. No weedy or bushy fence-rows were seen, for with the exception of the wire fencing along the rail-road it was a rare thing to see even the semblance of a fence. Farms or plots were divided by stone landmarks, and occasionally a narrow ditch was kept open from one stone to another. Division fences were only seen where the land was used

In for grazing. farming sections fencing seemed to be regarded as unnecessary, and a source of need-

Toward evening the train passed through the Hartz Mountains. In this section the scenery was both picturesque and beautiful, and the quaint old towns and villages were peculiar in architecture and inviting. on account of their home-like aspect and surroundings. Every home was protected by handsome shade trees, and had attached a little garden containing well-tilled and thrifty beds of plants, vegetables and flowers tastefully arranged. I could hardly resist the desire to stop and spend a few days at some one of these charming mountain villages.

After nightfall we passed along a thickly settled valley which seemed to be largely taken up with manufacturing industries. The scenery here was evidently very mountainous and picturesque, and I regretted it was not daytime, that I might enjoy its varied beauty. As we emerged from this valley many thousands of lights sparkled in the distance, and in a short time we were crossing the big bridge over the Rhine River and entering the

celebrated old city of Colognefamous for its great Cathedral and relics, and its perfumery.

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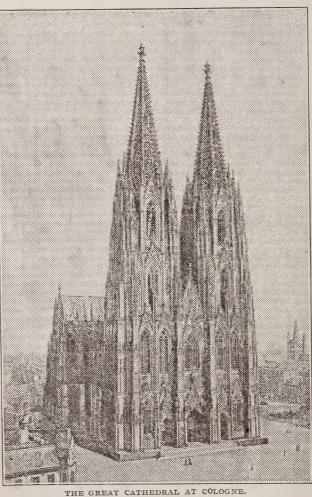
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The train paused for a few minutes before passing into the depot, and peering out of the window at the left side I saw outlined in the darkness, in massive, ominous grandeur, the great architectural structure and wonder of ages—the Cologne Cathedral. Of such proportion is this gigantic building that the largest buildingsaround it look like children's playhouses in comparison. If is built in the form of a cross, and is 500 feet long and 230 feet broad, with two towers over 500 ft. high. History tells us that the work was begun in the latter part of the thirteenth



century, and the choir, the first part completed, was consecrated in 1322. Its construction was continued irregularly until the period of the Reformation, when work upon it not only ceased, but that already done was

not kept in repair. In the early part of the nineteenth century, however, attention was directed to its surpassing beauty, and sufficient money was raised for its completion, which was effected in 1880. It is said that its cost was \$10,000,000. The portals are magnificent, being of great size, and elegantly decorated. The whole structure is majestic, and inspires awe and wonder as it is viewed and its sublime grandeur contemplated. It is an architectural triumph, and the most imposing and glerious building of its kind I have ever seen.

The next morning I was up bright and early, to attend mass, which I supposed was conducted every morning. The bells of various sizes rang out clear and loud and impressively at 6:30 o'clock, but on entering I was disappointed to find the great building almost destitute of life. It was dark and damp and cold with a pervading gloom like the shades of death. In the distance a few flickering candles revealed outlines of the agony of the cross. In the dim light I saw a man with a scarlet robe moving wierdly about, and two or three in various parts of the huge room wearing dark robes. Any little sound became a great sepulchral roar, because of the reverberations. I moved in very cautiously on tiptoes, with bared head, and looked and listened in reverend silence and awe, and all the time felt as though I were treading the sacred chambers of the dead. Two or three others came in while I was there and apparently felt as I did. The wierd solemnity of the place was nerve-wrecking, and I soon withdrew, feeling as though a great burden had rolled off as I emerged into the pure, free air and sunshine of the greater dome of heaven, lighted-not by flickering lamps, but by the glorious flaming sun, that warms, and purifies the air, and enriches and beautifies the earth, spreading cheer and brightness and happiness throughout the length and breadth of the habitable world. Shortly after this I boarded the train for Paris, and resumed my journey.

Sincerely yours, LaPark, Pa., May 22, 1909. The Editor.

Cyclamen After Blooming.— After a Cyclamen is through blooming shift it into a larger pot, if more root-room is required, and plunge in a shady place out doors, keeping watered during dry weather. The plant will thus be ready to bloom throughout the winter months, when removed before freezing weather to a sunny window of the living room.

Plant Fleas. — The little black fleas that attack Ten Weeks Stocks, Sweet Alyssum and other cruciferous seedlings, and that jump and disappear promptly when approached, can be overcome by the use of wood-soot. Simply dust it over the plants while the dew is on.

DICENTRA CANADENSIS.

PRETTY little wildling found in damp, shady places in the Eastern States during early spring is Dicentra Canadensis, often called Squirrel's Corn, because its little bulb is covered with yellow protuberances somewhat resembling grains of corn. The plants grow a foot high in rich soil, have beautiful foliage, and racemes of white or flesh-colored fragrant bloom not unlike the well-known Bleeding Heart, to which it is



DICENTRA CANADENSIS.

nearly related. The Adlumia vine and Corydalis, both lovely native flowers of the Eastern States, are also near relatives.

The plants are not difficult to transplant, and soon form handsome clumps in the wild garden, if given a favorable situation. The little engraving will give the reader some idea of its appearance both in foliage and flowers.

For Dry Soil.—For a dry, hot, sandy soil, Petunias, Portulaca, Mesembryanthemum, Sedum, Enothera Lamarckiana, and Ageratum will mostly be found satisfactory. Akebia quinata will do well as a vine for such a place; also Spartium junceum, Spartium scoparium, Genista Andreana and Yucca in variety. All of these may be raised from seeds.

Pæonies.— The Chinese and old-fashioned Pæonies are all hardy, and can be planted in the garden either in spring or fall. Set the roots so that the eyes are near the surface, and do not disturb them for four or five years.

Day Lily.—A lady in Maryland has a Lily with heart-shaped leaves. It is probably Day Lily, a species of Funkia. To bloom well it should have a rich, rather tenacious soil where it will get the morning and evening sun.

CHILDREN'S LETTER

OME with me, dear children, this lovely May morning, and we will see what wild flowers are blooming in the meadow, and on the rocky banks. We will go down the path by the

mill race, and just beyond the big Willow we will cross the race into the meadow, using the fallen but growing Butternut tree as a footbridge. I see you are all glad to enjoy the flower-bedecked meadow carpet, so soft and bright and beautiful. A month ago it was not so green and fluffy as it is today, but it was freely decorated with the smiling, cheerful blooms of the Dandelion; and the white,



The big Willow which leans over the race

fuzzy little silver balls you see today, which, like a timid bird, fly almost at your approach, are the clusters of baby seeds. Each seed has its little white parasol, which acts the part of a tiny balloon, lifting it into the air, and dropping it where, in time, it will sprout and grow and bloom, to make the earth more cheerful and beautiful.

But, dear children, the Dandelions have had



"Clusters of baby seeds."

their day. They came early to tell us of summer's approach, some turning their little golden faces up smilingly at me as I passed by, even in the earlier spring days, before the snows of winter

were entirely gone. They came with the blue birds. Now we have another decoration. It is Buttercup Day, and we rejoice in the wealth of golden bloom and beauty that greets us this lovely morning. Just pull an open Butter-cup and examine it. There are millions of them, and you might pull a hundred and they would not be missed.

Five little golden petals (a) form the cup, shining as if made of burnished gold,



and inside you see the "frosted butter" (stamens and pistils) so rich and tempting that it seems good enough to eat. And look outside of the cup, how the fuzzy green sepals that covered the bud just like a ball cover (c), are now recurved, the fuzzy, unattractive side turned under, and the smooth, yellow side

(b) revealed, adding to the flower's beauty. But this is not all. Do you see how busy the bees are entering every flower, and searching diligently at the base of every petal, at the same time scattering the pollen dust over the centre of the flower (pistils), as



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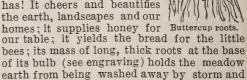
well as carrying some Buttercup flower and bud away. But she gets more than pollen dust or At the base of every petal is a bee-bread.



tiny cavity(d) (see engrav.) where a gland secretes honey

every day while the flower is blooming. Pluck off a petal, and examine it with your microscope. Isn't it interesting? Now if you look you will find upon the plant buds ready to open, buds just formed, and near the

ground are some tiny baby buds, all coming on to take the place later of those now blooming. Thus the beauty of the meadow carpet will be kept up for many days. What a mission this little flower has! It cheers and beautifies





flood; and its tender stems and foliage are food for the "good old cow Bess," that gives the rich, wholesome milk for your breakfast and supper. Gather them, dear little boys and girls

'Good old cow Bess," and enjoy them while they last; see who will find the double-flowered plant, which, like the four-leafed Clover, is a sign of good luck. These flower days of youth are the happy, care-free days that will yield many precious

memories in the later years of life. Enjoy them while you may, for in a few years they will be forever gone.

Now we will cross

over the shallow river Stepping Stones. by the stepping stones below the dam, and pass along the wooded bank by the deep. dark waters. As we go just notice how tall and graceful and beautiful are the American Elms that, in many places swing their long, weeping branches over the water, affording lovely reflections; and note how their growth and color contrast so pleasingly with the huge white Willows and Maples and Buttonwoods. And you cannot but admire the big thicket of Black Haw (Viburnum prunifolium) trees

W th bl of arr R. R. Spring Beauty. bl

which are white with the clusters of snowy bloom. And in front of the Haw thicket are the masses of wild Roses, showing the tiny buds that will soon develop into handsome, fragrant bloom.

We now pass the bog where the neat green spears of Fleur-de-lis are pointing upward, and by one of the big Elms I see you all gather in admiration. No wonder! At the base of the tree are masses of Spring Beauty, hugging it close, and entirely surrounding it, forming a band a foot or more across. How beautiful! The thousands of waxy pink-striped petals,

supported by two little sepals, and enclosing the pistil the delicate pink stamens! The plants have been blooming for some time, and are becoming long, and prostrate, but new buds in all stages of development are showing. We will dig some up, and see the little tubers from which they spring. Every flower forms a little seed-pod, and the seeds dropping each season afford a ready means of propagation. It is

one of the charming little flowers we love to see and gather in early spring. It is a Purslane, and the stems and leaves are rather fleshy, as the Portulaca and Calandrinia, its near relatives. Its botanical name is Claytonia Virginica, given in honor of John Clayton, one of the early botanists of Virginia.

Those showy clumps of broad, green leaves are Skunk Cabbage. The flowers appeared in February, and have long since faded. They are interesting and handsome as bog plants, and deserve a place in every aquatic garden.

A little further on we find in abundance another little flowering plant, with fleshy, forking stems, and clusters of tiny, pure white, star-like flowers with protruding stamens. It is modest in appearance, and its beauty is often overlooked, but it is really charming. It is a Valerian, and known as

Garden Heliotrope. It delights in moist ground, in partial shade, and propagates from seeds, which begin growth one season and the next spring develop flowers and seeds, then die. It is readily transplanted, and if lifted and potted its pretty little flowers can be studied and enjoyed for some days in the sitting room. See Engraving.

We now return home, on the way passing the Columbine rocks. How graceful and beautiful are the scarlet flowers, as they nod and swing in the balmy air. Their foliage pushes up almost as soon as the snow is gone, admirable in itself, and sufficient to recommend it for cultivation. But when its branching stem develops, and the numerous showy. honey-laden scarlet and yellow flowers swing from the slender stems they claim unbounded admiration. The plants are found growing in the crevices of rocks, upon stony banks, and on shady hill-sides, and if transplanted to the garden will grow and bloom thriftily for years. It is easily grown from seeds, and should be popular as a garden flower.

Your Floral Friend, LaPark, Pa., May 10, 1909. The Editor.



Sun Dial .-Mr. Park:—I am sending you a few seeds of a plant we call Sun Dial, because the leaves follow the sun, and close up at night. The flower is blue, and shaped like a bean blossom. The plant would be worth cultivating its foliage for alone.

Mrs. M. Bussell. Mill Grove, Mo., April 6, 1909.

NOTE.—The seeds are of Lupinus hirsutus. The plants grow two feet high, and bear showy

white, rose or blue flowers in upright spikes. It is also known as Old Man's Face, on account of the peculiar shape and markings of the seeds.—Ed.

Easter Lily After Blooming.— When the foliage dies plunge the pot in a rather sunny place in the garden, sinking the rim of the pot beneath the surface. Let it remain here until autumn, then lift, remove the surface soil, fill in with fresh compost, and give the same treatment given the previous season.

American Wonder Lemen. This Lemon is generally grown from cuttings, and not grafted. When it becomes intested with scale brush the enemy loose, then sponge the stem and leaves with hot tobacco tea. In a few days sponge again, and apply chopped tobacco stems on the soil about the plans

GLADIOLUS AND THEIR CARE.

NE of the most popular of bulbous flowers is the Gladiolus, especially the new hybrid varieties, which show handsome

spikes of large, richly colored flowers, many strikingly marked and variegated. The plants are erect in growth, about two feet high, and often develop one or two branches. They begin to open their flowers within a few weeks after planting, the lower buds developing first, and the others successively as the plant grows and matures, so that the blooming season is greatly prolonged. The colors range from pure white, very slightly tinged, to deep crimson and purple, and most of the varieties exhibit attractive combinations of colors in the same flower. Grouped in a bed they make a grand display, and elicit unbounded praise and admiration.

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The culture of Gladiolus is very simple. The bulbs or corms are placed about six or eight inches apart, in rows eight or ten inches apart, and covered to the depth of six inches. The bed should be rich and deep, and in a sunny place. Every bulb will bloom, and the better the soil the more handsome the flowers. By deep-planting the plants do not suffer from the extreme heat of summer, and by planting at intervals of two weeks a display of the flowers may be enjoyed from July till after frost. A mulch of fine stable litter will be found beneficial to both plants and flowers.

In the fall, a fter severe frosts, take up the plants, remove the tops with a sharp knife, dry the corms, and store in a dark, cool, frost-proof cellar, where they will be well ventilated. The bulblets may be stored with the others, but in planting these remove the outer covering, as this will forward the growth. The bulblets, being small, and slow in starting, cannot be depended upon to bloom the first season.

New varieties are readily raised by hybridization, and seed-planting. If started early some of the seedlings may bloom the first season, but, as

results.

a rule seedlings do not bloom till the second year.

Some of the finest Gladiolus flowers I have ever seen were grown from June-planted bulbs. The flowers develop late, but at a season that promotes their perfect development, and I cannot too highly urge my friends to plant a bed of Gladiolus this month, as I can assure them the most satisfactory

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ARCISSUS clumps that have been long in one place often become non-blooming. This is mostly due to the bulbs becoming too much crowded and too deep in

that account.

NON-BLOOMING NARCISSUS.

the soil. Lift and reset the bulbs as soon as the foliage dies, placing them about three inches below the surface. It may require two years for the bulbs to become of blooming size, so do not be impatient if they do not bloom the first season. The bulbs delight in a sunny exposure. If shaded they do not ripen well, and are sometimes non-blooming on

Sacred Lily and Iris.

The Sacred Lily is a species of Polyanthus Narcissus, and should be obtained and potted in the fall, for winter blooming. If you have bulbs kept over just set them out in a deep, rich soil in partial shade, and mulch the bed with manure. Thus treated they may bloom this summer. Iris should also be set out, in a rather rich, deep, moist soil. Like Cosmos, most of the Iris species delight in a deep, rich, boggy or spouty soil.

Removing a Large Rose.—The best time to transplant a large Rose is in early spring, before vigorous growth begins. In removing such a plant will lose a portion of its roots, and to insure its growth the tops should be cut back severely. Climbing Roses should be cut back to within two feet of the ground. A crop of bloom should not be encouraged until the plant becomes well established in its new quarters.

Jonquils Blasting.—
A sister in Massachusetts has a bed of Jonquils, but the buds always blast before opening. This is doubtless due to a disease which affects the bulbs. I would advise her to get some new bulbs in the fall, and set them in a new place, at the same time digging up and burning the old bulbs. The bed should be fully exposed to the sun, and the soil rich,

GLADIOLUS.

porous, and well drained.

Black Flies.—The little black flies that infest house plants can be destroyed by dusting with Pyrethrum powder, applying the material with an air bellows, and filling the air with it. In applying, breathe through a moist sponge. The powder is not injurious to a human being, but is unpleasant to breathe.



JUNE.

A step, to the rhythm of the magical rune, Aglow and agleam in the radiant noon, Ashine 'neath the stars and the summer moon, Beautiful, wonderful June.

Roses are rioting over the walls, Deep in the grass the cricket calls, A spirit sweet treads the earth's green halls, Beautiful, wonderful June.

Cool are the shadows under the trees, Constant the hum of the homing bees, Buoyant the breath of the balmy breeze, Beautiful, wonderful June.

Queen of the summer, we christen thee, Crowned and garlanded, joyous and free, Every heart hath a welcome for thee, Beautiful, wonderful June.

Phillips Co., Kan.

Alice W. Willis.

THE WOODLAND WAYS.

Along the woodland ways in June When all the air with rapture thrilled, I heard the songs of birds atune. I had saw the earth with beauty filled. The summer breeze sweet odors blew From fields where fairest blossoms grew, All wet with morning's pearly dew, In "lovely, leafy," fragrant June.

Along the woodland ways again, When winter's chill was in the air, I sought, with saddened heart in vain. For bird or bud or blossom fair. I felt the bitter north wind blow O'er fields all white with drifted snow, When flowers, like hopes, were lying low—But hopes, like flowers, may bloom again.

For oh, along the woodland ways I knew the birds would sing once more; So yet, perchance, a note of praise May rise from hearth now wounded sore. No cloud can long its shadow cast, And, sweeter still for dark days past The Mayflowers bloom at last, at last, Along the sunny woodland ways.

Mrs. Edwin W. Mace.

York Co., Me., Dec. 29, 1908.

BUTTERCUPS.

Methinks some modern Midas
Hath passed, with touch of gold,
Across the summer meadows
And through the pasture fold;
His path a way of pleasure,
With daisies springing up,
And everywhere the treasure
Of royal Buttercup.

Or yet, perchance, the wisdom
Of modern days hath found
The long lost mines of Gopher,
The ancient jewel ground;
And lavish with the treasure
Have spread it everywhere—
On meads with fullest measure
That all may reap a share.
Charles Henry Charles Henry Chesley.
Rockingham Co., N. H., May 1, 1909.

WHIP-POOR-WILL.

I sat one summer evening
As the sun was sinking low,
And watched the vivid sunset
In its changing colors glow;
And as the purpling twilight
Was shading earth and sky,
From woods across the meadow
I heard the plaintive cry—
"Whip-poor-will, Whip-poor-will."

While 'round about me lingered The star-lit, soft twilight, I saw the haunts of this sad bird Was black as dismal night.



But from its darkness echoed The plaintive, mournful strain That gives a touch of sadness Akin to sorrow's pain— "Whip-poor-will, Whip-poor-will."

Shut in from love and beauty,
In darkness and in gloom,
Oh, then I did not wonder
At this lone bird's mournful tune.
And I listened long in sadness,
Touched by the magic spell,
To the dismal woodland echoes
Like the tolling of a bell—
"Whip-poor-will, Whip-poor-will."
Co. Mo. April 6, 202 Sallie Red

Boone Co., Mo., April 6, '09. Sallie Bedford.

PANSIES.

Oh, Pansies so bonny! oh, Pansies so bright!
Your beautiful blossoms are dear to our sight;
Arrayed like a monarch in purple and gold,
Yet claimed by the humblest "to have and to hold".

No garden so small but the Pansy is there, None so grand or so full as the Pansy to spare; Its sweet face smiles up near the lowliest home, As content as when gracing the lordliest dome.

We name it the "Pensee", the flower of thought; The "Heart's-ease", with sweet consolations oft fraught.

They brighten the hours by happiness sped, And we strew them with fast-falling tears o'er the dead.

Sweet Pansies! dear Pansies! wherever you grow, The love and the care of our Father you show; He gives not only the wheat and the corn, But Roses and Pansies our way to adorn. Jeff. Co., N. Y., Feb. 5, 1909. Ella O. Tyler.

THE MYRTLE BLOOM.

One sunny morn in stormy March, In sparkling dew, I found upon a Myrtle vine A blossom blue.

It bloomed upon the sacred mound Of one I loved, And spoke to me in sweetest notes Of her above.

It also said dark days are gone
And spring has come—
That after dreary life is o'er—
Perpetual bloom.
Boone Co., Mo., April 6, '09. Salli

Sallie Bedford.

A WILD FLOWER GARDEN.

METHER the word decoration or desecration is most applicable to this collection depends largely upon local conditions. There are certain localities where the improvements through building or cultivation are bound to destroy certain prized wildlings; in other instances changed conditions have rendered their present location fatal. In such cases one may certainly be pardoned for making an attempt to prolong their life by transplanting. But the practice of penetrating Nature's inner sanctuaries, and dragging forth treasures which can never thrive elsewhere, is always to be deplored.

Yet there are many of the most dainty woodland blossoms which can be transplanted with ease, and a collection will not only prove a source of beauty, but will give infinite pleasure to the lover of plant life, revealing during the season many interesting features which slip the notice of even the most careful ob-

Ox-eye Daisy. Golden Rod.

server who notes them only in the wild state. Those who have grown the Closed Gentian, the buds of which do not open, will never forget the struggles of the bumble-bee to gain access to the floral sweets; and the chapter in cross-fertilization which its success suggests proves ever a most fascinating story.

Most of the early spring flowers, Spring Beauty, Adder-tongue, Anemone, Jack-in-the-Pulpit, and a host more may be safely transplanted, even when in bloom. Give them plenty of woods soil, and a situation as nearly akin to their native home as possible. wild Aquilegia of the East, a charming combination of coral and pale yellow, is as easily grown as any Garden Columbine, and seeds freely, while in graceful outline it is far superior to any of the cultivated species.

Tiarella or Foam Flower, is a handsome spring bloomer, the spikes of small white flowers being produced in abundance, and rendering the name appropriate. It will thrive in shade or sunshine, and increases from year to year.

The Trailing Arbutus is difficult to transplant, and at best will usually survive only a few months. The Laurel and Rhododendron offer a similar obstacle. Strive to protect such plants in their native wilds, and enjoy the blossoms. Their rare beauty, however, is a strong temptation to test the skill of the flower grower.

There are some plants, too, which we are wise to shun, lest they become nuisances. Few would attempt to grow the Ox-eye Daisy, no matter how much we admire the blossoms. Burbank has helped us over this temptation by combining its beauty with that of a Japanese sort of much larger size; the result is a larger flower, with longer stem, and such good breeding that it would scorn to thrust itself in without a cordial invitation. there are Golden Rods so fine that we would gladly transplant them to the edge of the lawn. Yet if this is done, we must pay the penalty by persistent digging, the plant not only seeding freely, but sending out subterranean suckers which soon crowd out almost all floral neighbors.

Select carefully, taking into consideration both the preservation of the species and your

> own special requirements. wild flower nook, arranged according to Nature's model, will not only prove in itself a thing of beauty, but it will increase our appreciation of the beauty with which we are sur-rounded. Bessie L. Putnam.

Conneaut Lake, Pa., April 23,

Pomegranate. - One of my most prized plants is a James Vick Pomegranate. Except when at rest a couple of months in winter it is seldom without buds, flowers or fruit. The fruit is not edible, but remains on the

plant for months, turning a dark shining red. Even without the fruit, the beautiful scarlet flowers, the dainty leaves and the young growth of branch, which is a pleasing shade of red, makes it truly attractive, and very desirable. M. L. Coder.

Ashland, Oreg., Apr. 28, 1909.

Rose-buds Dropping. - When a Rosebush fails to develop its buds, the failure is due to a surplus of buds. Pick off the buds, leaving only two or three to each branch, and keep the soil dug up and well watered. With this treatment the remaining buds will open. The bush should have a sunny place.

J. E. Egges.

St. Louis, Mo., May 4, 1909.

Dahlias from Seeds. - I sow my Dahlia seeds in a protected bed as soon as the soil is warm enough, just as I sow Zinnia, Balsam and Marigold. When large enough 1 transplant to a well-prepared bed, and have flowers for a long time before frost appears. Mrs. D. W. Chase.

Easton, Md., Mar. 18, 1909.











Sow these seeds during May, June, July and August. Order \$1.00 worth of seeds, and I will mail free, five choice named hardy Chrysanthemums in five distinct coloralso my Arts' Study of Chrysanthemums. Speak to your friends and make up at least a dollar order.

Achillea Ptarmica, hardy perennial, white, mixed, handsome. Pkt.

Aconitum, Monk's Hood, mixed.

Adenophora (Bellflower), Potannini, new, handsome, blue.

Adlumia Cirrhosa, an elegant biennial climber; fine for shade. Adonis Vernalis, rich yellow flowers, hardy and fine.

Ethionema grandiflora, the Lebanon Candytuft.

Agrostemma coronaria, pink flowers in June. Ajuga metalica

Alyssum Saxutile, gold dust, a fine golden flowered perennial

5 5 Antirrhinum, semi-dwarf, large-flowered; many colors, mixture Aquilegia, large-flowered, beautiful hardy perennials; fine mixture Arabis alpina, lovely white spring flower in masses; hardy.

Arabis alpina, lovely white spring flower in masses; hardy.
Anchusa azurea, splendid blue flowers in clusters in summer.
Anennone Japonica, an elegant free-blooming perennial
Aster, large-flowered perennial, Michaelmas Daisies mixed.
Aubrietia, beautiful spring-blooming Rock Cress, mixed colors.
Armeria, glant; large heads of rosy flowers.
Bellis, Giant Double Daisy, charming, hardy edging; finest mixed.
Campanula, Bellflowers, splendid perennials, mixed.
Campanula Pyramidalis, charming Campanula, mixed.
Canterbury Bell, (Campanula Medium) a grand blennial; large showy flowers, blue, white, rose, striped, mixed.
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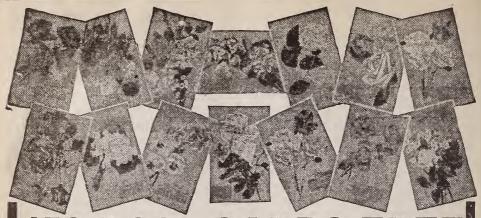
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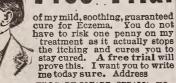
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On June 29, 1900, about five o'clock in the afternoon, we had a short thunderstorm with a high wind. After the storm was over, my youngest sister ran out under the big maple tree, and there found a tiny robin, which had been blown from its nest. It was very young, just getting pin-feathers; and being covered with sand, looked more like a pin-cushion and match-scratcher combined than anything else. She gave it to me and I washed the sand off of it, wrapped it up, and put it in the oven, little expecting the bird would live. In less than an hour he was calling for something to eat.

Two days later one of my brothers found another robin that had fluttered away from its nest. He sent it into the home to me. Then my troubles began. I thought it hard work securing enough worms to satisfy one blue-jay, but

two robins were far worse.

Of course they had to have names. We had named the first one Robert Burns, calling him Bobbie for convenience, so it was very natural to call the second one Jean Burns. They were properly named, I believe, for Bobbie was a regregalar little dandy. He feathered very fast, and was able to use his wings in less than a week. His breast was red, with but few speckles. Jean had a very speckled breast, like all young robins. She was not very particular about her personal appearance. To be sure, she took her bath every day, but she was not particular about making every feather lie just so. Bobbie always looked as spick and span as a new pin. In about two weeks they were turned loose to Of course they had to have names.

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go where they pleased. When they were hungry they came to some of us to be fed. Ag they got more able to take care of themselves, they be-

care of themselves, they became wilder, until, finally, just one month after we got them, they left us forever.

The next spring, one of my sisters saw a robin sitting on a fence in West Chester. It fluttered its wings like Jean, and talked like Jean, and, as it allowed her to pick it up, she concluded it was Jean. Later in the summer, a spick and spandy little robin with a very red breast, who was sitting in a walnut tree by our wood-shed, kept talking away while I was getting some wood. I think it was Bobbie.

I had my next little robin in the summer of 1904. His name was Robert F. Anderson, but we called him Bobbie. As digging worms was such hard work, I tried raising him on other things. "Force" and "Zest" soaked in milk were the principle things he had to eat. He thrived upon that diet as well as the others did upon worms. Soon after he got to flying around he got one foot crushed. He was very patient about it, but it finally caused his death. The Normal School opened the first Mondy in September, and I went back for my last year. About a week later, we had a heavy wind and rain storm in the night. Bobbie's crushed foot could not help him cling to his perch, and the next morning he was found near his favorite tree, dead. He was the dearest one of the robins.

I had my last Bobbie in the summer of 1906. His name was Lloyd Balderston. He was fed the same as Robert Anderson, and acted the same as Bobbie and Jean Burns. Whether or not I have any this summer waits to be seen.

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His name was as a same as Robert Anderson, and acted the same as Robert Anderson, and acted the same to Bobbie and Jean Burns. Whether or not I have any this summer waits to be seen.

May be some of the girls and boys will try to raise the little lost birds they find this summer. Keeping them clean, and giving them plenty to eat from daylight till dark, and a few little stones every few days, was all I found necessary. For the robins that were unable to use their wings when I got them, I made a little nest of straw or grass for the first few days. The pleasure they afforded more than paid for the trouble they were.

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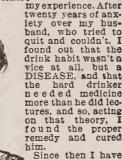


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cats. [Note.—It is estimated that every bird-hunting cat kills 50 birds every year. These are mostly songbirds, for it is rare for a cat to catch an English sparrow. This work is mostly dope late in the evening, during night and early in the morning. In the country I believe this estimate to be too low, but a dozen bird-cats would kill 600 birds in a year, even at the lowest estimate. In Pennsylvania the fine for killing a song-bird is five dollars. If prosecuted, the man who killed 300 birds would have to pay out \$1500.00 in fines, which would buy more cherries than a hundred trees would produce. Far better to buy a dozen cats and use as scare-crows. The birds buy a dozen cats and use as scare-crows. The birds will not trouble a tree where there is a live cat, or even a stuffed cat prominently placed. Use the cats and save the birds, the cherries, the ammunition and the time.—Ed.]
Every boy whose parents make him a birthday

or Christmas present of a gun does more damage to the feathered race than all the cats in his neighborhood.

[Note.—No parent should present a gun to a boy. Within the past week I have seen records of more serious damage than the killing of birds. One boy shot his mother; another his sister; another his playmate. And I recall instances where a boy shot him-self in the eye; where a young lady, a neighbor, was shot while sitting upon the porch of her home; where shot while sitting upon the porch of her home; where a boy shot and killed his chum. Indeed, there is no end to the record. And it is true, too, that many, many birds are killed by ruthless boys, even while the little songsters are singing sweetly in the trees and along the fence-rows. This awful slaughter of life should be overcome by humane teaching at home and in the schools, as well as by prohibiting the use of fire-arms by those who are incapable of handling them, also by enforcing the law.—Ed.]

Think, too, of the uncounted number of hirds

Think, too, of the uncounted number of birds that are murdered every year, that their poor wings and bodies may adorn women's hats.

Wings and bodies may adorn women's hats. [Note.—In this age refined ladies, knowing that birds are taken and skinned alive, will not use birds or parts of birds that are thus taken. Ostrich plumes, pigeon wings, goose-feathers and tail feathers are used, these often dyed and made up. I believe most of the costly feathers used are taken in the tropics. Few of our North-American birds are showy enough for decorative use.—Ed.]

Thousands of the migratory birds are killed every year in the south to provide dainty tid-bits for wealthy gormands.

In weating gormands.

[Note,—This is true, and it is sadly regreted by those who see the song-birds becoming scarcer every season. Every person who loves a garden and orchard, as well as the morning and evening birdchorus, should urge the passage of laws protecting birds, and then see that those laws are observed. Law is a practical educator, and what is unlawful, if the laws are enforced, soon becomes unpopular.—Ed.]

Yet there are two sides to every question, and though it cannot be disputed that birds are invaluable in destroying bugs and other insects, yet in many parts of the country they are a nuisance to farmers and fruit-growers. It is so here. sance to farmers and trifti-growers. It is so here. When the farmer sows his grain, the seeds are devoured by myriads of crows and blackbirds. The blue-jay, too, is not only the enemy of the farmer, but of other birds, for he destroys their nests, eating their eggs and killing the young birds. The farmer kills hundreds of them every year by scattering poison-wheat. Then, a little brown cherry-bird comes in great flocks in spring year by scattering poison-wheat. Then, a little brown cherry-bird comes in great flocks in spring and picks off the cherry blossoms, literally strip-ping the trees. Robins, too, love cherries and

strawberries, and when a man owns plantations of these, on which he depends for a goodly share of his living, and 5000 robins light down upon it and devour and carry off two-thirds of the crop before it is ready for market, can you blame him if he demolishes a few of them?

Yet, in the face of all this I love the birds, and believe in protecting them. No lovelier music will ever be heard on earth than a chorus of birds in the early dawn of a summer morning. Yes, I love the birds, and I love cats, too, and I love justice to all living things. Mrs. E. F. Inman.

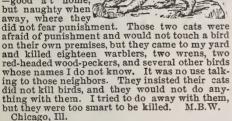
Waterville, Oreg., March 14, 1909.

[Note.—The farmer could well afford to guard his crops for a brief period in order to enjoy the benefit of the birds as pest-destroyers, Here in old Pennsylvania our crops and trees and flowers suffer untold damage from insects and worms. Crows and black-birds are not plentiful, and blue-jays are a rarity. I have not seen one of the latter for several rears although I recall the days when they are and rarity. I have not seen one of the latter for several years, although I recall the days when they appeared in great numbers. Let the farmer and gardener continue the work of destruction, if he has no care for the future; but if continued the time will come when the future; but if continued the time will come when the expensive use of spraying machines and insecticides will be necessary to do ineffectually what the birds now do effectually and without expense By planting a few bird-mulberries through the orchard, and by the strawberry patch the birds will be provided for, and the desirable fruit will be left untouched. It is poor economy to destroy the birds, and in a few years have the trees and plants destroyed by insects, borers and worms.

While preparing the above, the following letter came into my hands, and I give it in this connection:—Ed.]

Dear Mr. Park:—I notice in your paper that "if cats are well-fed they will let birds alone". To my sorrow I know positively to the contrary. Two neighbors of mine each had a "well-fed cat", and told me their cats never killed birds, for they knew they would pactive a whipping. It was the old story

It was the old story of "the good boys" -good at home,



[Note.-Those cats doubtless killed more than four [Note.—Those cats doubtless killed more than four times as many birds as the number known, much of their work being done in the darkness. The Editor has his grounds enclosed in a close, cat-proof fence (except when scaled), keeps his breech-loading shot gun ready for just such bird-enemies, and never before, since he owned the premises, has the variety and happiness of the song-birds been so noted as this season. By all means keep the cats shut in at night during the nesting time of the song-birds; and if a stray cat is found rummaging your grounds, it is there for no good, and the sooner it is disposed of the better, Let the cats be kept at home.—Ed.]

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[Note.—There can be no doubt of the destructive character of the English sparrow. It is a bitter enemy of all other birds. It is not safe, however, to allow anyone to kill a sparrow in summer time, as not one person in a hundred can distinguish the English sparrow from the song sparrow. The time to declare war against English sparrows is in winter, when the song sparrows are south.—Ed.]

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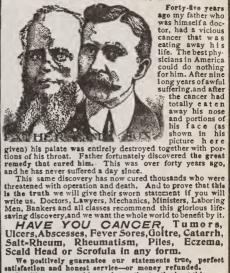
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and Pansies. I went to town m y with and papa got my big

doll; it is 19 inches high and black-headed. I like birds, and we have lots of them around our house. We have two good little dogs. They are smart.

Nettie Ogden. Newton Co., Ark.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl of 11 years, and live on a farm. I have a pet dog named Tip, a chicken four years old,



and a pet pig. We have only taken your Magazine one year. Alma Hicks. Magazine one year. Watseka, Ill., Jan. 4, 1909.

[Note.—Speaking of a pet pig reminds me of one owned by a big fat man who had something to do with the constructive work along a railroad being built. He drove in a buggy from place to place, and got this pig at some farmhouse. He was not a man of model habits, and made it a rule to patronize the bar at the various hotels where he stopped over night, always taking his pig with him, and thus it became as fond of the "flowing bowl" as his master. It was no uncommon thing for the man to drive away in the morning with his pig beside him, both gloriously intoxicated. Don't you think, if his name was not Hog, it should have been so changed? Wasn't he more deserving of that name than the poor dumb brute that he made his daily companion?-Ed.

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Incense from her hart ascending, Wafts so softly on the air, And our hearts we lift in worship, At this fragrant hour of prayer,—

Asking for a Father's blessing
On our friends both near and far,—
And that hearts both sad and restless
Peace can find that none can mar.
Hiram, O., Mar. 13, 1909, Winnie M. Poole.

Dear Mr. Park:—I am a little girl of 13 years, am greatly interested in pets. I have a pet canary that has many cute tricks. When I am in the room with him and am singing, he will hop down upon the floor of his house, put his head on one side, and sit looking at me until I finish, just as though he were listening. I am very fond of flowers, and have a great many. Here are some of my verses:

The flowers are all awakening,
The grass is tall and green;
The trees seem to be beckening
Along the crystal stream.

The hours are long and sultry,
The days pass slowly by,
The moments full and running short,
So swift they seem to fly.

The woods are cool and shady, They would invite repose; 'Tis there on some sweet May-day You'll find the first wild rose.

'Tis there we find the peace and rest,
The quietude and joys
Which are the same our parents loved
When they were girls and boys.

Mary Whiteon

Mary Whitcomb. Union, N. Y., Apr. 20, 1909.

BIRDS AND CHERRIES.

Mr. Park:—Regarding the cats and birds so much discussed in the Magazine, I would say that human beings are the birds' very worst enemies. Millions of birds are killed every year because they eat Cherries and other kinds of fruit and grain, and few people seem to know that birds will never touch cherries or any other fruit or grain while they can get mulberries. I think the government ought to furnish mulberry trees free to anyone or everybody who would agree to plant and take care of them; then I am sure that more bird's lives would be saved than are now destroyed by cats.

Mrs. Agnes Saunders. Roy, Wash., Mar. 17, 1909.

Note.—This suggestion is a good one. But it would not be necessary to distribute trees. The Russian Mulberry, which is perfectly hardy and is not affected by borers, as is the American Mulberry, is readily started from seeds, and the trees begin to bear in three or four years, and afterwards bears freely and annually. It is the "bird mulberry". A few trees ought to be grown at every home expressly for birds. When we consider how valuable the song-birds are as insect-destroyers it would seem that the farmer or gardner who would destroy one because it was found eating some cherries is either an ignoramus or a fool. Already the depletion of the birds is so affecting vegetation through increasing insect pests that it is almost impossible to grow some kinds of fruit and vegetables. Then, too, the house-cat tethered to a string in the tree is a complete scare-crow, and will prevent the depredation of the birds. Whoever owns a cat can have no plausible excuse for shooting birds in cherry-time. My own experience, however, is that the birds only take the cherries at the tips of the limbs, where the fruit is inaccessible, and I have never begrudged them all they get. It is rather a pleasure to see them enjoying an annual feast, for cherry-time comes but once a year.—Ed.

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East Liverpool, O., April 12, 1909.

QUESTION.

Fern.-I have a Fern with coral-like roots which grow along the surface soil. It is in a compost of loam, leaf-mould and sand. After repotting it it did well, but is now dying. How shall I treat it?—Mrs. J. L. T., Mass., March 17, 1909.

Mildew.—Our Multiflora Roses are attacked by Mildew every season. What can we apply to the foliage to keep it off?
—M. L. W., Norwalk, O., Mar. 22, 1909.

Weeping Lantana.—I have a Weeping Lantana two years old that grows nicely, but has had only one cluster of bloom. What treatment must I give it to have it bloom freely?— Mrs. E. D. M., Ind., Apr. 3, 1909.

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